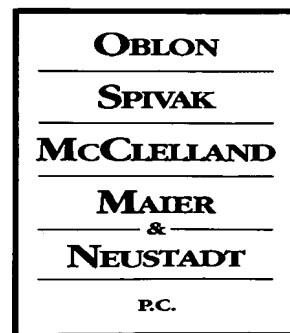




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PRODUCT AND A MANUFACTURING METHOD  
FOR A SEMICONDUCTOR DEVICE  
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Examiner: ROSSOSHEK, Y.

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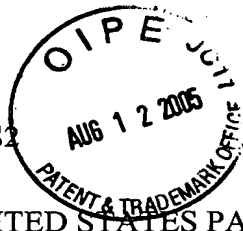
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In response to the Restriction Requirement dated July 12, 2005, Applicants elect without traverse Group I, Claims 1-16 for examination on the merits in the present application. Applicant makes this election with the understanding that Applicant is not prejudiced against filing one or more divisional applications covering the non-elected claims.

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